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## MOTION BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE

The 2015 Special Olympics will be held in the Los Angeles region from July 20 through August 3, 2015. The event will take place at various venues across the County, including the cities of Long Beach and Los Angeles. Over 7,000 athletes from all over the world, 500,000 spectators and numerous foreign dignitaries are expected to participate in the Torch Run, the Opening Ceremonies and other large scale public events. Given the significant deployment of personnel and resources that would be required to ensure a safe and secure Special Olympics, it would be appropriate to join with the City of Long Beach and the City of Los Angeles to seek designation of the 2015 Special Olympics as a "National Special Security Event." Such a designation would ensure that additional resources critical to ensuring public safety throughout the Games would be secured from the Federal Department of Homeland Security.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Fire Chief be instructed to work with all appropriate entities to secure National Special Security Event status for the 2015 Special Olympics.

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